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CRUSADE TO FREE CUBA
P. O. Box 523
New Orleans, Louisiana

BULLETIN

An office for the Crusade to Free Cuba will be established in Gallier Hall, 2nd floor (OLD CITY HALL), Monday, January 15, through Friday, January 19, for the purpose of handing out Worker's Kits for the City-Wide Solicitation.

YOU ARE URGED TO PICK UP A WORKER'S KIT AND OTHER INFORMATION FROM THIS HEADQUARTERS DURING THIS PERIOD SO THAT YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE CITY-WIDE DRIVE.

DRIVE CAPTAIN'S MEETING - 10:30 a.m., Monday January 15.
You are urged to attend.

VOLUNTEER WORKER'S MEETING - 10:30 a.m., Friday, January 19.
You are urged to attend.

PARADE - 11 a.m., Canal and Elks Place, Saturday, January 20.

CITY-WIDE DRIVE - Saturday, January 20, and Sunday, January 21.

Volunteer workers are urgently needed. Please pick up your kits and secure as many of your friends to help as possible.

TURNING IN COLLECTIONS - Collections should be turned in to Drive Captains or directly to collection headquarters: MONTELEONE HOTEL, Saturday, January 20, and Sunday, January 21.

In the event any collections are not turned in by Sunday evening, they should be made directly to:

Carlos J. Grimader
811 Audubon Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

ANYONE WHO WANTS TO VOLUNTEER IS WELCOME. HAVE THEM CALL 522-9058, OR REPORT DIRECTLY TO GALLIER HALL.

SECTION # 1 City of Marahan

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

Workers:

Mrs. Elton L. Murray Kit 1191-1200
1455 Granda Dr.
282-9418

Mrs. John J. Cucarola Kit 1201-1210
2 Althea Lane - Lake Vista
282-9974

Section 2 Kenner and Little Farms

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

SECTION #3 Jefferson Parish--Lake to RR Tracks, Kenner to Causeway

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS

Mrs. & Mrs. J. L. Johnson DEVENPORT
502 Jocia Ave. (St. along old Condeight road)

Mr. L. L. Martin Kit 761-770
1109 Trudeau - Metairie (Jefferson)
721-1210 (Mrs. Marshall del. kit)

Mrs. H. A. Buchholz Kit 1511-1520
6504 Mitchell Avenue. Mr. M. del. kit
V.L. 3-9491

SECTION # 4 -- Jefferson Parish--River to RR tracks, Harahan to
Orleans Parish Line

CAPTAIN: Name: Harriet Smith Underlined as Captain

Address:

Phone:

Jefferson Ave.
22.3-5860

WORKERS:

Harriet Smith
Jefferson Ave
22.3-5860

SECTION # 5 Metairie--RR tracks (Main Line) to lake; Causeway to Orleans line

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

Mrs. James Duffy Kit 15-71-1580
127 Hollwood Dr.
Ne 5-9322

SECTION #6 Lakeview--Metairie Rd & City Park Ave to ~~Lake~~ Lake;
Parish Line to Wisner Blvd.

CAPTAIN: Name: Mr. Cliff Pecot *Kit*
Address: 1526 Burbank Dr. 731-740 771-780
Phone: 282-8886 621-680 641-650
601 - 610

WORKERS: Mrs. B. S. Brubacker
6607 ~~Solis~~ 28th
Hunter 2-7028

Mrs. Rodney Tonge - Kit 1221-1230
14 Park Island
288-7778

Section No. 7- DeSaix Blvd. & Gentilly to Lake; Wisner Blvd to Elysian Fields

CAPTAIN: Name: MISS VIRGINIA GARIANO

Address: 6236 VERMILLION -

Phone: 282-4649 Unit 6 2741 ^{anatomy} Age 18

WORKERS:

Luis Arcacha
4523 Duplessis St.
Elvira Arcacha
Seasio Arcacha
Mrs. Ellen Tresino
2144 Brutus St.
288-7180

Mrs Warren Forstall (hit del by Mr. Mandell
6245 Caldwell Drive ~~701-710~~ 611-620
tel. 282-5587 ~~701-720~~ 631-640

SECTION 8. Gentilly to ~~Middle Lake~~---Elysian Fields to Industrial Canal

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

Mr. Robert Crochett - Kit - 1291-1300
4952 Louisa Dr.
282-8485

SECTION # 9 Orleans parish below ~~the~~ Industrial Canal

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

SECTION 10- St. Bernard Parish

CAPTAIN: NAME: Mrs. Harry J. Jones
Address: 2121 Victor St.
Phone: Ed 1-1808

WORKERS:

Mrs. Susan Maestri - Kit 1541-1550
444 Argant St.
Chalmette, La
Ed. 13563 - but del. by Mrs. Marshall

Section #11 - Orleans Parish below Industrial Canal

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

SECTION #12 Triangle bounded by Gentilly Rd., Florida and Industrial Canal

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

SECTION # 13--Bounded by River, Elysian Fields, Florida and Industrial Canal

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS: Mr. Philip J. Schoen III rit 1211-1220
529 Elysian Fields
W.H. 5-2153

SECTION #14 River to Gentilly Rd. Canal St. to Elysian Fields

CAPTAIN: Name: CARLOS QUIROGA

Address: 3147 MAUREPAS 

Phone: WH 5-5426

WORKERS:

Mrs Joseph Presley - Kit - 811-820
543 St. Ann - Pontalba (Mrs. Marshall dep. lab.)

Mrs Elizabeth Kell Kit - 871-281
543 St Ann - Pontalba (Mrs. Marshall dep. lab)

Mr. J. Maher Kit 1371-1320
810 Denoile
Ja 5-2859 - 524-7566

Jack Yates
320 Cedony Place
522-8050

SECTION 15---RIVER to Cemeteries --Canal St. to Expressway

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

Mrs. Mercedes Smith
apt 1017 - Warwick
1315 Division
524-0531

Mr. Alva Edwards Kit 571-580-591-600
Clarborne Towers (Mrs Marshall del. kets.)

Mr. Terry Lindley Kit 1551-1560
2400 Canal St.
529-2511

J. Bert McMahon Kit 1611-1620
4800 Canal St.
Haw 2-2141

Dr. Josephine Thomas Kit 1171-1180
4706 Const St.
Haw 2-1423

F. A. Thorne Jr. Kit 1431-1440
old 2nd Bldg.
529-5596

SECTION: # 16 River to Short St. Expressway to Washington Ave.

CAPTAIN: Name: Mrs. S. B. Jefferson Mr. J.C. DuPont
Address: 80 Fountainbleau Dr. 2309 State St.
Phone: 261-6443 895-8285

WORKERS:

Mrs Helaine Tute Kit 701-710 711-720
1401 St. Andrew - apt 207 611-620 631-640
(tel. business) 25308 kit del. by McManell
tby 50 unit apt bldg.

Mrs S. B. Jefferson
827 fountainbleau dr.
261-6443

Mr. E. M. Brignac Kit 1501-1510
3227 Magazine St.
TW 1-6311

Mrs. & Mr. Dionisio Gonzalez

SECTION # 17 RIVER TO S. RENDON, Washington Ave to Napoleon Ave

CAPTAIN: Name: ~~MRS. J. C DUPONT~~

Address: ~~2309 STATE ST.~~

Phone: ~~895-8252~~

WORKERS:

Mrs. Victor Wogan Jr.
1723 Marengo St.
TW-5-0412

SECTION # 18 River to Short St. Napoleon Ave to Audubon Blvd.

CAPTAIN: Name: MRS. JAMES LESLIE

Address: 5260 CAMP

Phone: TW 9-3486

WORKERS: Mrs. Edmond Talbot Jr
2734 State Street
Un. 6-9980

Mrs. W. H. Kilzine
1676 Jefferson Avenue
899-3165

Col. Provost Dryies
2036 Octavia St.
TW 7-5241

Ivor Trapolin
2114 Callowhill
Un 1-3472

Mrs. Felix Gordon Kit 1161-1170
3000 Octavia
Un 6-1603

Mrs. Marks Emerson Kit 1251-1260
7900 Block of Walmsley

SECTION #19 Audubon Blvd to Parish Line, River to Cemetaries.

CAPTAIN: Name: MRS. WILLIAM R. MC HUGH
Address: 7911 FAERET ST.
Phone: Un 1-0187.

WORKERS: Mrs. Sidney Schoenberger
701 Pine Street
Un 5-1224 Captain del kit

Mrs. Edward Ellingshouse
1321 Pine Street Captain del kit
Un. 6-2398

Mrs Sam Adams
436 Hillary St. Captain del kit
Un 1-7740

Mrs. Stockton B. Jefferson Miss Kathleen Cafiero
80 Fontainebleau Dr. 1615 Pine
Un 6-6443

Mrs. Paul Reese
5616 Prystonia St.
7W-9-5224

Doug Jones Kit 1621-1630
1120 S. Carrollton
Un 1-3854 - Ju 5-2985

Mrs. Anne Prieto 1241-1250
7430 Oak St.
Un 6-3823

SECTION 20- ALGIERS

CAPTAIN: NAME:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

SECTION #21- Gretna to Harvey Canal

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

SECTION NO. 22- Mg Harvey, Marrero, Westwego, Bridge City, Avondale

CAPTAIN: Name:

Address:

Phone:

WORKERS:

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COMMUNISM Is Only 90 Miles from US
FIRST Communist Country in the Americas
FIRST Communist Missile Bases
FIRST Communist Russian MIG Bases

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CLIP BULLETIN

Times-Picayune
11/28/61

ANTI-FIDEL UNIT WILL AID PROBE

Group to Help Screen
Cuban Refugees

WASHINGTON (AP) — Creation of a special committee of anti-Castro leaders to help screen security risks from among Cuban refugees was disclosed Monday by the Justice Department.

A department spokesman said the committee had reviewed the cases of 16 refugees whom immigration officials had detained from among 62,000 Cubans who had fled the regime of Prime Minister Fidel Castro. The special unit recommended the release of four of the 16 and this recommendation was followed, the Justice official said.

The 16 had been detained at McAllen, Tex., by the immigration service since August or later. Their cases had prompted a suggestion by Sen. Joseph Clark, D-Pa., for a review of immigration service policies on the detention of Cuban refugees.

DATA STUDIED

The Justice Department said the special review committee, set up about two weeks ago, had just completed its survey of the 16 cases. This process included a study of information provided by the immigration service and information supplied by members of the special unit.

The detained group was recently transferred to the immigration service screening area at Opa-Locka, Fla., near Miami, the Justice Department spokesman said.

He said the committee included members of "several major anti-Castro organizations in the United States."

Times-Picayune
7/13/61

CASTRO REGIME GETS MIG JETS

First Soviet Planes Based
in Hemisphere

By BEN F. MEYER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Fidel Castro regime in Cuba has acquired MIG jets, official sources said Wednesday. The MIGs are the first Soviet aircraft based in this hemisphere.

The buildup of air power follows many months of heavy purchases by the Havana government of guns, tanks and other war gear chiefly from Iron Curtain countries.

News of the acquisition of an undetermined number of jet aircraft coincides with reports that Latin-American nations, particularly in the Caribbean area, have been revising and modernizing defense plans.

One expert here said the MIG jet is primarily a defensive fighter plane. But he added, "It can be a very destructive, mean weapon when rockets, napalm or other bombs are mounted. It already has very considerable fire power from several cannon."

The newspaper *El Siglo de Bogota*, Colombia, said recently Castro's air force received 26 MIG jets. It was this report that U.S. officials confirmed Wednesday, adding that the actual number may be greater than 26.

Department officials would not say exactly how many of the several hundred such organizations were represented on the committee nor which organizations were represented.

The Justice official said the "cooperative evaluation by the anti-Castro organizations of Cubans seeking refuge will continue as standard procedure in the future."

There have been reports here that the MIGs were received by ship in crates, and are being assembled at the San Antonio de Los Banos Airport on the outskirts of Havana. The airport was built by the United States during World War II to combat Nazi submarines attacking sugar ships leaving Cuba.

Speculation here is that the Castro regime plans to use the MIG jets in military displays on July 26—the anniversary date of the Castro uprising in Cuba.

New Orleans States-Item 11/29/61

Castro Threatens Death For New Cuba Invaders

HAVANA, Cuba (AP) — Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro last night promised death within 48 hours to prisoners taken in any new invasion or counterrevolutionary plot against his regime.

Castro also:

—Rejected as "cynical and shameless blackmail" a Guatemalan demand that former Arbenz Guzman be expelled from Cuba.

—Charged the United States with promoting inter-American action against Cuba to open the way for armed attack.

'Too Soft, Good'

—Declared the United States sent warships to the Dominican Republic "against the Dominican people and in support of (President Joaquin) Balaguer, an appendix of the old Trujillo regime."

His Socialist revolution has been, until now, "too soft and good," Castro said, declaring his government is launching "revolutionary justice" against its enemies. He said execution before a firing squad awaits any invader, whether Cuban or foreigner, as well as all armed rebels and saboteurs operating inside Cuba and particularly anyone found burning sugar cane.

He also warned that anyone left Cuba.

who collaborates with the underground—even to the extent of giving a counterrevolutionary a meal—will lose all his possessions.

Firing Squad Threat

The firing squad threat coincided with preparations for the sugar cane harvest, which begins in January. Sugar is Cuba's chief export, and burning the cane fields is a favorite revolutionary tactic—used by Castro himself in his fight against the Batista dictatorship.

In his televised speech before the National Congress of the Cuban Workers Confederation, Castro called the Guatemalan note seeking the expulsion of Arbenz evidence of "imperialist maneuvers and agitation in Central America" to promote new armed aggression against Cuba. The Guatemalan government threatened to recognize a counter-revolutionary Cuba government in exile unless Arbenz

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COMMUNISM is only 90 miles from US!

FIRST Communistic country in the Americas!

FIRST Communist missile bases!

FIRST Russian MIG bases!

OFFICIAL SPONSORING ORGANIZATION: Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front

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533 Camp Street, Room 6

New Orleans, Louisiana

Sergio Arcacha Smith,

New Orleans Delegate

National Headquarters:

1700 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, Florida

Manuel A. de Varna Laredo,

Co-ordinator

PURPOSES:

1. To thoroughly educate the people of New Orleans to the presence and danger of COMMUNISM only 90 miles from the U.S., only 685 miles from New Orleans.
2. To raise needed funds for the work of the Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front in combatting COMMUNISM first hand.
3. To offer comfort and sustain hope among Cubans for a return to a FREE CUBA COMMUNIST-FREE.

If you've been wondering "what can I do specifically to fight COMMUNISM?"

THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY! Join in the CRUSADE to FREE CUBA!

I am interested in Fighting Communism and want to support the Crusade to Free Cuba.

I am enclosing a financial contribution to help the cause.

I can offer some volunteer time in this important movement.

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Background material for speakers ---

There is a bad situation in Cuba today

1. Communist Cuba that has been taking shape since January 1, 1959, has not been imposed by pressure from the great majorities, but is the product of the deliberate action of a bold and unscrupulous minority headed by the dictator, Castro himself.

Today, with barely 20% of the population on his side, Castro's Communistic totalitarianism is a POLICE state; from a smiling people to a somber people; that is the Cuba of today.

2. What brought this on?

Cuba was, prior to Batista's coup d'etat of March 10, 1952, a country undergoing development. Its wealth had been increasing and new industries were being established. Livestock industry constituted an impressive source of wealth. Mining was developing at a rapid pace. But Batista was a Dictator, feared by many good, honest, decent people. He was also opposed by Communist intellectuals in both Cuba and the U. S. A. who felt attracted by the "wonderful achievements" of Communist totalitarian economics. And because Communism is "attractive" to underdeveloped countries by means of "rapid economic growth," these intellectuals had a "story" to tell the Cuban people. However, prior to Castro's triumph, Cubans for the most part did not contemplate any need for a Communistic development. Castro's coup then was simply a "successful revolution against Batista tyranny".

Dangers to the U. S. resulting from this bad situation:

1. Favoritism of Cuban Government under Castro toward Communistic Soviet Union permits exploitation by the latter of Cuba's accessibility, militarily speaking, to American shores. Cuba now has missile and MIG bases openly supported by the Soviet Union, from which lethal destruction can be levied upon American soil. All this.....from only 90 miles away!

IN PLAIN LANGUAGE, COMMUNISM IS NO LONGER A THREAT FROM ACROSS THE WORLD. COMMUNISM IS 90 MILES AWAY FROM THE UNITED STATES, 685 MILES FROM NEW ORLEANS:

- a) With Missile bases ready to launch weapons capable of destroying almost any city in the United States (less than one-half hour from New Orleans as a target).
- b) With Russian MIG squadrons on a "ready alert" basis, undoubtedly armed with atomic weapons (less than two hours flying time from New Orleans as a target).
- c) With a daily fleet of ships from Russia and her Communistic allies piling up supplies of war goods in Cuba.
- d) With over 200,000 armed men carrying modern, first-class weapons, plus armed reinforcements from other Communistic countries, including soldiers of RED CHINA and RUSSIA already in Cuba.
- e) With an operating organization to move Communists into the United States and other American countries undetected in the stream of refugees escaping Cuba.
- f) With a giant operating organization with easy access to the Communists already planted in the United States and other countries of America whose sole purpose is destruction of our government, our way of life.

g) With a base in the Western hemisphere for their continued propaganda efforts to convert all of Latin America countries to Communism and to destroy, confuse and conquer in the United States.

2. The fact remains....any communist dictatorship imposes a threat to a capitalistic economy....the very ingredient of American growth. Further, American prestige has already suffered tremendously through the presence of a Communist government in Cuba. Every day that transpires with that government still in existence means a further decline in American prestige throughout the world.

How is New Orleans specifically affected by these dangers?

1. New Orleans is only 685 miles from Cuban shores.
2. The loss of trade to the port of New Orleans as a result of the Communistic take-over in Cuba has been tremendous. This is particularly significant when you consider New Orleans's position as the gateway to all Latin American countries for the U.S.A. The very lifeblood of our commerce with Central America and South America is threatened every minute that Communistic Military Forces occupy Cuba.
3. The actual loss of property in Cuba by Castro seizure represents millions of dollars belonging to New Orleans firms, New Orleans citizens.
4. New Orleans is an EASY MILITARY TARGET for Communistic Military Forces in Cuba, only 685 miles away.....just a few minutes for a missile or a jet.

Who is the key, Castro or Communism?

In the beginning of the revolution to overthrow Batista, Castro's personality was the deciding factor in enlisting the Cuban people into the revolution. Castro's personality is still used as the "front" for all activities, but the truth is that Communism has taken over and is in the real power.

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COMMITTEE WORK SHEET

WOMAN'S COMMITTEE - Mrs. R. G. Robinson, Mrs. Naomi Marshall, Co-Chairmen

Organize a city-wide house-by-house canvas to be conducted by volunteer workers Saturday, January 20, and Sunday, January 21.

This will be tied into a public campaign to "Light your light to fire a paper bullet against Communism" as an indication to the volunteer workers that the home wants to make a contribution.

LARGE DONOR'S COMMITTEE - J. B. McMahon, Chairman

Personally contact persons and organizations who can make larger contributions.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - Ernesto Rodriguez, Chairman

Conduct a "Telethon" on WVUE, Sunday, January 14, 10 p.m. to midnight, to be continued on WNOE until daybreak.

STUDENT'S COMMITTEE - Carlos Quiroga, Co-Chairman

Make all arrangements for and conduct a parade in downtown New Orleans, Saturday morning, January 20, featuring a huge Cuban flag carried by volunteers into which donations can be tossed.

BUSINESSMEN'S COMMITTEE

Distribute contribution "cans" throughout the city and pick them up at the end of the drive.

SPEAKER'S COMMITTEE - Rev. William K. Sisk, Jr., Co-Chairman

Urge civic clubs to schedule speakers on the topic and provide speakers.

FINANCE COMMITTEE -

Budget necessary expenditures and process contributions received.



JIM GARRISON
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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PARISH OF ORLEANS
STATE OF LOUISIANA
2700 TULANE AVENUE
NEW ORLEANS 70119



May 27th, 1969

Some Unauthorized Comments on the State of the Union

(Questions and Answers Concerning the Assassination
of President Kennedy and Its Implications)

Q. 1. Mr. Garrison, you have been kind enough to grant me this first interview that you have given any newspaperman since the verdict in the Clay Shaw trial. Can you tell me why you have decided at this time to make a public statement?

A. It has not been possible for a long time to make any public statement to the national press in America without having it distorted or completely misunderstood. Yours was the first request from Europe since the Clay Shaw trial so I decided to see if there was somewhere in the world where it is possible to have the truth about the assassination printed. Europeans have been through the phenomenon -- unbelievable to those first undergoing the experience -- of the warfare state and its concealed as well as its apparent manifestations of repression.

Q. 2. Who killed President Kennedy?

A. President Kennedy was killed in a coup d'etat -- a government sponsored assassination. The preparation for the assassination and the creation of a tableau to make it appear to be a meaningless incident, caused by a single demented young man, were accomplished by the Central Intelligence Agency. The C.I.A., it must be understood, had long since ceased to be merely an intelligence coordinating agency and had become, as well, the clandestine arm of the warfare interests in the United States government.

Q. 3. What was the political objective of the people who conspired to kill the President of the United States in 1963?

A. The objective was to remove from office a man who was taking steps to end the Cold War, and who would have thereby reduced the economic and political power of the industrial warfare complex in America. The Cold War had become by far America's biggest business. The military

industrial complex had become by far the most powerful force in America.

On the other hand, beginning with the Bay of Pigs disaster in Cuba, John Kennedy had acquired an early and significant disenchantment with the military-intelligence combine. The split grew larger by the time of the Cuban missile crisis when Kennedy refused to take the advice of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (with the notable exception of General Shoup of the Marine Corps) to bomb Cuba. By the Summer of 1963 President Kennedy was on a clear collision course with the military-industrial complex -- a collision course so ineluctable that, in retrospect, it is apparent that if one survived the other would not.

On September 1, 1963 -- against the advice of a majority of the Joint Chiefs of Staff -- he caused to be signed the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty in Moscow. He initiated the beginning of peace talks with Cuba.

Then, most unforgiveable of all to the proponents of maintaining peace by violence, President Kennedy began the removal of troops from Viet Nam. Between August 1, 1963, and October 1, 1963, he reduced the then small contingent of military advisors from 15,000 down to 14,000. He ordered Secretary of Defense McNamara to have all of the American troops out of Viet Nam by 1965. This would have left no foothold in Asia and would have eliminated the best market on the horizon for military hardware -- and would have eliminated as well a major source of the monstrous Pentagon-C.I.A. power in Washington.

What John Kennedy was really doing was to reverse the steady thrust of American foreign policy of the preceding years which had resulted in the establishment of a Pax Americana throughout much of the world. He had begun a program of steady reduction in American military power -- a program of abrogation not merely inconceivable but unacceptable to what had become the center of gravity of power in the United States. While his course would have done much to end the Cold War and would have been a most

important advance in the interest of peace, such accomplishments were in direct opposition to the interests of the most powerful force in America -- the warfare interests which repeatedly urge us to the expenditure of more and more billions in defense of "national security". Consequently, they disposed of the President in an ambush at Dealey Plaza in Dallas. The Central Intelligence Agency carefully set Lee Harvey Oswald up as the scapegoat by assigning him to engage in "pro-Castro" demonstrations in New Orleans. The deed in Dallas was done as simply as removing the head of a chicken, and a fraudulent federal investigation was followed by a fraudulent inquiry by a commission of government oriented dignitaries.

The real function of the F.B.I. investigation and the Warren Commission inquiry was to conceal the involvement of United States intelligence agents in the murder of John Kennedy, although in fairness it must be stated that it is quite possible that all of the members of the Warren Commission were not aware of how they were being used. It is not likely that such mitigation fairly can be applied to Mr. Allen Dulles, the former head of the C.I.A., who opposed publication of the results of the Warren Commission inquiry.

The American press unwittingly disseminated the series of fraudulent official pronouncements and news leaks to the people of the country so that the President's death appeared to be just an unfortunate accident which occurred during the course of a parade.

Actually, Oswald clearly did not shoot anyone that day nor was there the slightest evidence to that effect against him even as late as the time when he in turn was removed. However, this mattered little because by then the false information from the government, having been whirled around the world by the electronic media, had jelled into history. It was at this point, when the scapegoat's voice was stilled forever, that being accused of assassinating the President became very much the same thing as having assassinated him. In either case, the funeral ceremony was the same.

Q. 4. Have you any reason to suspect that the murders of President Kennedy, Robert F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King are linked?

A. In terms of probability they are all linked and have all been authorized by the same force -- the military industrial coalescence which now dominates America. The particular missions apparently were all accomplished or instigated by the Central Intelligence Agency -- the hidden alter ego of our nominal democracy which, by virtue of its clandestine character, its totalitarian philosophy and its secret marriage to the high command of the military is free to do many things our traditions would never tolerate. Each of these victims were effective opponents of the Viet Nam war and each of them had a large following in the United States. Thus, the warfare complex in recent years quite apparently has accomplished the systematic elimination of eloquent opponents of the Viet Nam war, such men being more genuinely dangerous to the warfare machinery itself than the worldwide Communist conspiracy with which it justifies its expensive existence. This has not been apparent to most people in America because the mass news media will not print statements which suggest that such a thing could happen here.

The timing of Senator Kennedy's assassination indicates that he had to be removed because it was apparent that he would be another John Kennedy -- which is to say that he shared President Kennedy's view that the Pentagon should not be determining the foreign policy of the United States. Within minutes after he won the California primary he was shot by a "lone assassin" and a major opponent of the Viet Nam war was removed from the Presidential race. While the modus operandi in Robert Kennedy's murder is different from that in John Kennedy's assassination, this is merely a matter of detail to a powerful intelligence agency.

Even in Robert Kennedy's assassination, however, once again we find that international factor which does not quite fit the rest of the picture. Once again we encounter a man who -- however joyless his boyhood might have been -- has a background of international travel not shared by most Americans. Just as Lee Oswald had been to Russia and Mexico and James Earl Ray had been to Canada and Portugal and England, Sirhan Sirhan had traveled from the Mediterranean to Los Angeles. The "loneliness" of our assassins seems not to have prevented them from seeing the world more than most lonely people do.

In the case of Martin Luther King, the modus operandi in many cases resembles that used in John Kennedy's murder.

The similarities between the Kennedy and King assassinations -- the obviously professional marksmanship, the prompt government announcements prior to any investigation that no conspiracy existed, the transparent use of scapegoats and the immediate dissemination of jackstraws of misleading data -- are too familiar to require elaboration. In my considered judgment there is no doubt that the murder of John Kennedy and Martin Luther King were accomplished by the Central Intelligence Agency of the United States -- an agency which specializes in deception and is also in the business of assassination. I would add to that observation that it is a probability that Senator Robert Kennedy was removed by the same organization although by a slightly different technique -- this being more likely a case of instigation and motivation rather than an apparatus project.

At the present the Cold War, including the Viet Nam conflict, is a business grossing eighty billion dollars a year in America. The men who profit from this business and the men who have acquired incredible power as a result of the perennial war tensions will not tolerate for very long any peace talk from individuals whose charisma or whose political power make them a threat to the continuation of the economic and power benefits of the Cold War. Inasmuch as this force, powerful as it is, is not equipped to assert itself in any public forum it must physically remove those who can in order to survive. Furthermore this force, which presently is in control of America, believes that violence is the ultimate solution to any problem. This is why the present period is a most dangerous one not merely for America but for the world.

Q. 5. How would you have handled the investigation of the Martin Luther King assassination, if it had occurred within your jurisdiction?

A. It is almost impossible to conduct an effective investigation of a sophisticated intelligence operation with ordinary law enforcement machinery. All you really see are the results: a torn head or severed vertebrae,

followed by the seizure of a scapegoat and the distribution of an endless amount of irrelevant information to cause confusion in the minds of those who might attempt a serious inquiry.

For example, the only reason we succeeded in our investigation -- and we did succeed although the national media has very effectively made it appear otherwise -- was because we had a great deal of luck at the outset. We literally stumbled across Central Intelligence Agency employees in New Orleans who were helping to set Lee Oswald up by giving him intelligence assignments which make it appear as if he were a Communist.

With regard to the Martin Luther King assassination, the first thing which would have to be done would be to discount all pronouncements concerning the matter by the United States government since they are plainly designed to conceal the facts of the assassination. The prompt announcements from the Justice Department that no conspiracy existed should be recognized as an early indication that there indeed was a conspiracy. As the result of what we learned the hard way in the assassination of President Kennedy, I would be inclined to evaluate most of the "information" which has been disseminated in connection with King's assassination as intentional misinformation manufactured by the government intelligence apparatus involved. This is plainly a standard intelligence technique, and a most effective one, to distract the attentions of those individuals who do not accept the basic cover explanation of the assassination. The result is that even those who seek to inquire and dig below the surface end up with a complicated jumble of facts which lead only to confusion and, ultimately, to abandonment of the problem by persons who otherwise might have analyzed it effectively.

The military air base near Memphis would be a worthwhile area of inquiry because the likelihood is that the assassination team -- and I do not mean the scapegoat nor individuals traveling cross-country in white Ford Mustangs -- most likely would have been removed from the

area by plane from that air base. Even here, however, the pickings would be slim because it is unlikely that there would be any records of its departure.

Of course, all eyewitnesses would be interviewed although any descriptions obtained would be of persons long since transported to another part of the country.

I might add that anyone seriously attempting such an inquiry would encounter escalating interference from the federal government. Their telephones would be monitored by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If they continued their investigative enterprise it would not be long before Internal Revenue agents appeared and informed them that an investigation for criminal violation of the income tax laws was being conducted against them.

Q. 6. What happened in the Clay Shaw case in which he was charged with conspiracy to murder President Kennedy?

A. In the Clay Shaw case I learned the lesson that it is not possible to present a sophisticated clandestine intelligence operation in an Anglo-Saxon courtroom, in which -- properly enough -- the rules of procedure are designed to safeguard a variety of defendant's rights. I would not change our system because I think that the highest importance should be attached to this emphasis on the protection of defendant's rights and to the presumption of his innocence.

However, the elaborate camouflage and the clandestine nature of an intelligence operation make it virtually impossible to communicate in a forum of law the necessary cause and effect relative to the charge. If one, for example, considers a Len Deighton novel or a John LaCarre novel about espionage and then attempts in his mind to transfer it into a trial courtroom he will find that it cannot be done. A jury simply expects to see more than an intelligence operation has left for it to see, expects to hear one of the participants break down and confess his wrongdoing -- and that doesn't happen

because such participants are fearful of getting killed if they talk.

Ideally, the most effective reply to an intelligence assassination would be investigation by counter-intelligence machinery. However, when your own government is involved in the assassination, there is no counter-intelligence machinery to conduct the investigation. At all events a county operation cannot effectively bring to trial within the county men who have participated in a national coup d'etat.

Q. 7. Clay Shaw has told the press that he was one of Kennedy's political supporters. It will be recalled that Oswald's murderer, Jack Ruby, said the same thing. From your own investigation, what was Shaw's political affiliation in November, 1963? Lee Harvey Oswald's? Jack Ruby's? David Ferrie's?

A. The political affiliation of individuals working for a powerful intelligence agency is not always relevant with regard to a single mission. In my judgment the primary motivating factor on the part of each individual involved in the assassination was simply the fact that he was participating in a mission. This has been particularly evident to us with regard to the agents of the federal government who penetrated our office and interfered with our efforts to get at the truth. There was no apparent concern on their part with regard to the fate that befell John Kennedy. They were each performing a mission.

To a technician working for a super-state a mission is neither moral nor immoral -- one performs it because he has received orders and because he likes his position as part of a powerful organization. Eichmann, for example, did not hate the Jews in Germany although he transported millions of them to be killed. He was a technician, pleased with his role as part of a powerful

and important operation. America has become a nation of Eichmanns. It has become a nation swarming with technicians executing orders from the headquarters of the warfare interests -- and it does not make a great deal of difference to the technicians whether the orders concern the monitoring of telephones or the manufacture of napalm or the writing of articles confirming that the assassinations were caused by men with joyless childhoods.

Q. 8. Has the change in the administration in Washington affected your relations with the federal agencies whose cooperation until now has been denied you?

A. There has been no change of any kind in the power base in Washington. There have been seeming changes but the warfare machine and its extensive intelligence tentacles, domestic as well as foreign, remain untouched. Congress is free to debate concerning daylight savings time and the President is free to re-paint the rooms of the White House any color he chooses but there is not likely to be any diminution in the power of the warrior chieftains and their allies in the government.

The President of the United States is a transient official in the regard of the warfare conglomerate. His assignment is to act as master of ceremonies in the awarding of posthumous medals, to serve when needed as a salesman for the military hardware manufacturers and to speak as often as possible about the nation's desire for peace. He is not free to trespass on the preserve of the war interests nor even to acknowledge that such an organism exists. He is not free, because of the collective power, to remove the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff nor the heads of the Central Intelligence Agency and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He must re-appoint them because of their amazing efficiency. That is his assignment in the game. The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff used to be required to be replaced every two years. No such change has been made since November 22nd, 1963. Nor has there ever been any mention in the mass media of

the curious end of what once was not merely custom but a requirement of law. Apparently, like so much else that has happened since 1963, it is not newsworthy.

It must be understood that in the age of the Pax Americana, in the age of the eighty billion dollar a year military budget, control over foreign policy becomes the equivalent of control of the country. The power to make foreign policy continues to be a fief held feudally by the war interests. This was the essential meaning of the assassination of President Kennedy: that this power which holds America in its grip will not tolerate interference with its control of American foreign policy, with its programs of foreign military adventure and over-reaction to supposed external threats. The great injury done by the Warren Commission to this country was that it authenticated the transfer of the foreign policy making power from the representatives of the people to these autocratic interests, it authenticated the conversion of the real government of the United States to an invisible government.

Q. 9. What was David Ferrie's role in the activities occurring in New Orleans?

A. David Ferrie, a talented pilot capable of handling almost any assignment with an airplane, had been a contract employee of the Central Intelligence Agency since the mid-1950's. He had flown for the C.I.A. in Nicaragua and at Swan Island in the Caribbean. Prior to the Bay of Pigs he had trained Cuban pilots in Guatemala. He had made night flights into Cuba for the C.I.A. with weapons and passengers on special assignments. On one such occasion Ferrie was stabbed in the stomach when they were almost trapped in Cuba.

Ferrie's relationship with Lee Oswald dates back to the 1950's when he was a Captain in the Civil Air Patrol and Oswald was a cadet. In 1963 when Oswald returned to New Orleans from Dallas for his assignment to engage in "left

wing" activities he was seen frequently in Ferrie's company by a number of witnesses. When Oswald was busy with his "Fair Play for Cuba" activity he operated out of 544 Camp Street, the location of the office of Guy Banister, former head of the Chicago office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Banister also was engaged in clandestine activities for government intelligence, being involved in operations relating to the Caribbean area. When Oswald absent-mindedly printed the address of 544 Camp Street on the bottom of some of his literature he placed the government in a corner from which it has yet to extricate itself. Prior to Oswald's use of 544 Camp Street, David Ferrie helped operate the "Cuban Revolutionary Front" from the same address. This was a Central Intelligence Agency operation with no serious support by the Cuban exiles in New Orleans.

On the evening of the assassination Ferrie drove nine hours through a thunderstorm into Texas, later explaining that he made the trip to go ice-skating. On the afternoon of Saturday, November 23rd, 1963 he stood by a pay phone in a Houston skating rink where he made and received phone calls. That night he drove to Galveston. Ferrie was in Galveston Saturday night when Jack Ruby made his call there shortly before midnight.

During the course of the investigation by the New Orleans District Attorney's Office, just prior to his intended arrest, Ferrie suddenly died. The New Orleans coroner concluded that death was due to natural causes. Prior to his death, however, Ferrie wrote two lengthy suicide notes, leaving one on his piano and one on his table. His signature on each note was typed.

Q. 10. Was Clay Shaw connected with the intelligence apparatus of the United States government?

A. I would prefer not to make any direct comment about Mr. Shaw because he is still charged with perjury in testifying that he was not in association with Lee Harvey Oswald in New Orleans in 1963. Actually, there would be nothing legally wrong with my replying to the question, however I would rather let the forthcoming perjury trial speak for itself.

Q. 11. Was the International Trade Mart, which Clay Shaw managed for eighteen years, of any special interest to the government intelligence forces which you have described?

A. Yes. The International Trade Mart in 1963 was not an ordinary office building, although many of us in New Orleans were not aware of it at the time. The International Trade Mart, with the exception of a few offices, was a building virtually filled with foreign consuls, other representatives of foreign governments, import agencies, export agencies and C.I.A. cover operations. Consequently, the forces which President Eisenhower described as the "industrial warfare complex" necessarily would regard control of such a building as a routine objective for domestic intelligence.

When our office stumbled across the fact that the Director of this unusual building was having clandestine meetings with Lee Harvey Oswald prior to

the assassination we stumbled across a governmental domestic intelligence operation, although we did not know it at the time. Needless to say, the federal pressure on our office ever since has been indescribable.

Although massive discreditation with regard to our efforts has been accomplished in the national press, the government pressures on us have not ended in any way. Steady probing continues in an apparent effort to determine what progress we have made concerning the involvement of the military-intelligence combine in the President's assassination.

As for the International Trade Mart, this is now a new office building in a new location. Today it houses a much larger variety of occupants and is not as confined to foreign-connected offices. In 1963, however, it was a building the contents of which might well have been designed by Deighton or LeCarre. Incidentally, this is the building shown behind Lee Oswald in most of the photographs of him giving out "Fair Play for Cuba" literature. It is also the building where Oswald got his steamship ticket to Europe, from which he went to Russia, in 1959.

Q. 12. One of the mysteries about President Kennedy's murder is just where the "lone assassin" theory originated. It is common knowledge by now that most of the people in Dealey Plaza heard shooting from more than one direction, most of the shooting being heard from the grassy knoll to the President's front. Yet if one examines the news service stories in the press several days after the assassination, the official account of the "lone assassin" to the rear is as firmly jelled as if no other facts had ever been available.

A. The first dissemination of the "lone assassin" story was broadcast to Air Force One, carrying the new President back to the nation's capitol shortly before 6:00 o'clock p.m. (E.S.T.) on the afternoon of the assassination. Yet at this time back in Dallas all

of the evidence distinctly pointed to the involvement of a number of men in the President's ambush. The historic news that one man alone had done everything -- and, inferentially therefore, there was no political meaning to the President's assassination -- originated not in Dallas but in Washington, D. C.

The confusion of Dallas law enforcement authorities about the assassination did not interfere with the clear vision from Washington as to what the official solution was going to be. The amazingly prescient government broadcast to Air Force One told not only of the capture of the lonesome, motiveless assassin but added the good news that no one else was involved, that no conspiracy existed.

Announcing that a lone assassin did it all and that there was no conspiracy -- on the very afternoon of the assassination, before any investigation had begun -- was roughly equivalent to announcing the final score of a football game right after the opening kick-off. The source of this prophetic announcement was the Joint Chiefs Communications Center in Washington, D. C., from which the messages to the returning Air Force One were being transmitted.

By now the government has destroyed the original tape of this transmission just as it has destroyed everything which contradicts history's greatest fairy tale. However, the fact of the transmission was caught inadvertently and is recorded forever in Theodore White's "The Making of the President, 1964":

"There is a tape-recording in the archives of the government which best captures the sound of the horrors as it waited for leadership. It is a recording of all the conversations in the air, monitored by the Signal Corps Midwestern center 'Liberty', between Air Force One in Dallas, the Cabinet plane over the Pacific, the Joint Chiefs Communication Center in Washington. The voices were superbly flat, calm, controlled. . . one receives the E.T.A. - 6:00 P.M. Washington. It is a masking of emotionless voices in the air, performing with mechanical perfection. . ."

Then later we read of the substance of the prophetic message from the Pentagon's communication center:

"On the flight the party learned that there was no conspiracy, learned of the identity of Oswald and his arrest; and the President's mind turned to the duties of consoling the stricken and guiding the quick."

While the superbly flat, calm, controlled voices of our military were announcing that all was well and there was no conspiracy, the top law enforcement official back in Dallas was still under the impression that a number of men were involved. As late as the following morning, on November 23rd, District Attorney Henry Wade was quoted as saying that ". . . preliminary reports indicated more than one person was involved in the shooting. . ."

The District Attorney of Dallas did not yet know what the name of the game was. However, the intelligence machinery of the federal government could have told him. This invisible extension of the Pentagon, now the new seat of power in America, could have told him not only the name of the game but what the final score would be.

Q. 13. When your investigation of the Kennedy assassination was announced in 1967, John J. McCloy, a member of the President's Commission headed by Earl Warren, made the comment, "We did not say that Oswald acted alone". He said that the Commission merely stated that no evidence of a conspiracy was brought to its attention but that the Commission realized "that some evidence might turn up in this matter and we know that time is a factor in the favor of someone hunting such evidence." Whereas the Warren Commission relied entirely on reports furnished by the investigators of government agencies, the District Attorney's Office in New Orleans has its own detectives. On the basis of the evidence they have uncovered in the last two years, how many people would you now arrest, if they were in your own jurisdiction, and what role did each play in the Kennedy assassination?

A.

For a long time, I have tried to communicate the fact that the assassination of President Kennedy was a major government operation, more comparable in scope to the invasion of Inchon in the Korean War than to a lonely action by a random individual armed with an ancient gun and an obscure hate.

The New Orleans portion of the assassination was merely a small corner of the entire operation. However, we did catch hold of a part of that corner and my thought has been that if we kept our grip firm perhaps the press would ultimately acquire an understanding and pass on to the people what had happened in America. As it turned out, I overestimated the interest of our national press in the truth. Among the many things the press has done to complicate matters has been to create the impression that this was a "New Orleans based conspiracy", a tawdry scheme participated in by an odd cast of characters. Of course, such a misconception, by making the enterprise appear to be essentially meaningless, serves the interests of the United States government in concealing the coup d'etat from the eyes of history.

In conclusion, I must answer your question by saying that so many people would have to be involved in the execution of President Kennedy that no single office as small as mine could pretend to define the scope of such a large federal operation in terms of numbers of individuals. As to jurisdiction, the primary jurisdiction is Washington, D. C. -- and Washington, D. C., is still owned, for all practical purposes by the powers that authorized the assassination of John Kennedy. Nothing will be happening there except the continued effort to keep the truth from coming out.

Q. 14. What has been the chief obstacle to the criminal investigation which you are conducting?

A. There have been two major obstacles. First, the United States government. Second, the American press. The first obstacle exists, of course, as the result of intention. The second exists because the American press, by and large, is unaware of the great change which has occurred in the nature and character of the American government. Its inability to recognize the arrival of the warfare state is tragic because there is very little real hope of rescue from its hidden inhumanity and its tyranny so long as the press continues to believe that nothing is happening.

Q. 15. The federal government has persistently resisted your attempts to examine the Kennedy autopsy documents now in the National Archives. Is it the government's position at this time that their use in a criminal proceeding for conspiracy to murder John F. Kennedy would jeopardize the national security or is it argued that it might offend Mrs. Onassis?

A. The government's legal position in this matter has never been very clear to me but it is really irrelevant anyway. The release of genuine copies of the Kennedy autopsy photographs and autopsy X-rays indeed would jeopardize the national security -- from within -- because then everyone in America would realize that the government had been lying to the world about how John Kennedy was killed.

However, it is unlikely that such a contingency will occur. Just as the assassination was a professional intelligence operation and just as the dissemination of misleading information has been a professional intelligence operation -- so the processing of alleged "authentic documents" will be handled as a professional intelligence operation. The probability is that in the not too distant future documents purporting to be the

Kennedy autopsy photographs and X-rays will be released. They will purport to show conclusively that the government's fiction of his murder by a lone assassin from behind is correct. If such documents are released by the federal government it will only be because they are professional forgeries produced by the Central Intelligence Agency -- and by this time I expect that this part of the mission has been accomplished.

Q. 16. During the Clay Shaw trial, Colonel Pierre Finck, the pathologist at the Kennedy autopsy, testified that the President's neck wound was never probed because "an Air Force Major General" directing the proceedings gave specific orders that this wound was not to be examined. He testified further that this general who appeared and took over the autopsy was not a doctor. Who was this officer, and has he ever given any explanation for this astonishing action at a time when criminal investigation of the case had just begun, and when determination of the number and direction of the shots fired necessarily would have been a principal objective of the autopsy?

A. It is unlikely that the true name of the Air Force Major General who took over the autopsy will ever be made known to anyone. The autopsy was a delicate situation, fraught with the potential of exposure. Consequently the government had to have it supervised -- not merely by a doctor but by an individual who knew what had to be kept hidden and what the official government fiction was going to be, a high-ranking individual with the power to forbid completion of the autopsy. The General ordered the pathologists conducting the autopsy not to examine the neck wound.

From the description of the civilian doctors at Parkland Hospital in Dallas the neck wound was received from the front. Yet there was no corresponding exit wound to the rear of the neck. Of course, the immediate meaning of such evidence is that the federal investigation and the solemn Warren Commission inquiry

were fakes. These facts give rise to interesting possibilities such as, for example, the possibility that a bullet is still lodged in the bony structure constituting the central core of President Kennedy's neck. Since such a bullet would necessarily be pointed to the rear of the President this would have been somewhat embarrassing to the federal government and its official fiction of a lonely assassin shooting at the President from behind.

Whatever the government's problems were in this regard they were solved by having a General appear at the autopsy and order the pathologists not to examine the neck. There was no corresponding risk in letting the government technicians gaze at the head wound because that was an open wound caused by a bullet which had shattered, thus leaving them a certain amount of latitude in coming to a conclusion satisfactory to the authority above them. Consequently, they were allowed to examine the head wound to their hearts' content, as long as they didn't look at the neck. The result was that the autopsy was never a completed autopsy and the neck wound was never examined.

Just as the principal objective of the Warren Commission was to conceal the involvement of the government intelligence in the assassination the principal objective of the autopsy was to conceal the fact that the President had been struck by shots coming from in front of him.

An autopsy is supposed to be a search for truth by objective scientists. It is significant that early evidence that the government was not searching for the truth -- but rather was concealing it -- was accepted passively. Information concerning alteration of data in the original autopsy was accepted passively. The burning of his original autopsy notes by Dr. Humes was accepted passively. The discovery that a General arrived at the scene of the autopsy and ordered the pathologists not to examine a particular wound was accepted passively.

Here we have repeated instances of the destruction of truth by the exercise of totalitarian power. The passive acceptance of such occurrences by the press and the people is indicative of the super-state in which the government's will makes the concerns of the press and the people irrelevant.

Q. 17. Why have not other elements of the government attempted to do something about the apparent execution of the President by an agency of the United States government?

A. Historically, when a coup d'etat is successful the force which initiated the removal of the fallen leader becomes the government. The fact that a still subsisting government department bears the hopeful label of "Justice" does not mean that overnight it will turn into a suicide battalion. As in the case of all of the other agencies of government its leaders respond not to a dead man buried in a box but to the new forces of power in the country.

Consequently, there occurs the phenomenon in which the "Justice" Department -- as well as all other government law enforcement agencies -- devote their efforts not to bringing out the truth of the assassination but to concealing it and counter-attacking those who might attempt to do so. By the time of the assassinations of Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King, the "Justice" Department was announcing the absence of a conspiracy before the bodies hit the ground.

The old agencies of the government will always band together in defense of the new forces which have taken over power because the men in charge of the various departments and bureaus must orient to the new center of power or be replaced. Thus do the most dignified agencies bring into the service of the successful planners of an assassination not merely allegiance but all the credit and honor they have accumulated over the years. These agencies, respected by the press and public for historical reasons, are then available to be pointed in the direction of any attempted independent inquiry into the facts of the assassination.

For example, when an independent inquiry develops in Louisiana, this State necessarily must become an area of special federal attention -- all in the interests of justice, of course. The "Justice" Department will begin the institution of special actions with regard to supposed proliferating organized crime in Louisiana. It will be announced periodically from Washington that Louisiana is one of the major areas of organized crime in the nation. It will be announced that special federal task forces will have to be sent into Louisiana to fight this terrible problem. This is precisely as realistic as announcing that the federal government is sending in irrigation experts to help water the vast desert areas of Louisiana. What is really happening, of course, is that the basis is being prepared for a legalistic counter-attack against the source of the independent inquiry. All related government agencies will be highly coordinated in the operation to discredit and de-rail the independent inquiry and to protect what the new custodians of federal power regard as "national security" -- which is to say, of course, their own security.

How can the rest of society tolerate such a monstrous circumstance? Because, for the most part, the men who constitute it cannot afford to recognize what has happened. They have a vested interest in their government and they cannot afford to recognize that it has become corrupt. Consequently, they will accept without protest the most threadbare explanation of the removal of a national leader no matter how impossible that explanation might be. This tunnel-vision reaction has probably occurred throughout history whenever a government has been overthrown and a new force has taken control. To take the position that the new force is not legitimate, to raise any questions about its method of acquiring power becomes tantamount to taking up the sword against the entire government. It is less painful, and considerably safer, to conclude that -- inasmuch as no marked changes have occurred in one's familiar surroundings -- no great change has occurred in Washington.

If one considers the new and varied acquisitions of power which follow a successful assassination, the strange years following the murder of President Kennedy become less mysterious. The uncharacteristic

inadequacy of the federal investigation, the majesty of high government officials united in the common defense of tawdry little lies and the elaborate disinterest of the mass media in any objective inquiry into the truth -- all become suddenly understandable once one perceives what happened: a coup d'etat occurred on November 22nd, 1963, and it was successful.

The consequences of a successful coup d'etat were eloquently described four centuries ago in an English couplet:

"Treason doth never prosper, what's the reason?
For if it prosper, none dare call it treason."

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Q. 18. What likelihood does there appear to be that awareness will develop in the United States with regard to the situation?

A. The prospects for any timely insight are very dim. The problem is essentially one of perceiving reality and the American people thus far have been unable to obtain a clear view of reality with regard to the assassination of President Kennedy and with regard to American foreign policy. These apparently separate matters really comprise a single matter but it is not possible to see this clearly because no relevant data has been made available.

Not only has the press failed to perceive reality and communicate any part of it to the people but the government -- which is really to say the warfare oriented conglomerate which now constitutes the hidden nucleus of power in America -- has elaborate machinery to continue to maintain the insulation of the people from reality.

For example, military intelligence may indicate the apparent need for a crash program to produce billions of dollars for invisible paint with which to coat defense installations throughout the country so that the Russians cannot see them. Such intelligence superficially will appear to be highly authoritative and of impelling significance with regard to national security. However, the source of such information is the Central Intelligence Agency, which serves the interests of the conglomerate. The more likely meaning of such "intelligence" is that, like a dope addict, the warfare complex needs another economic shot in the arm. The primary interest of the complex is neither the national security of the United States nor its economic well-being but the continued accumulation of money and power by the warfare organism itself.'

Such foreboding "intelligence" estimates indicating gargantuan defense requirements are the basis for

keeping filled the horn of plenty of the military hardware producers and maintaining the concealed power of the military establishment over the nominal government in Washington. Experts will be produced who will testify that the invisible paint program is highly feasible but all that really means is that the program will make billions of dollars for the manufacturers of invisible paint. The highest government officials gravely will testify that they have studied the program carefully and it is urgently needed for the nation's survival but all that means is that the Pentagon has given it the green light.

Similarly, the news magazines of the country are in the service not of the people of the country but of their military hardware advertisers -- most of whose millions in advertising is concentrated in the "news" magazines. Their presentations of any foreign relations issue or any question of military requirements for years have been colored by the necessity that their conclusions be harmonious with the interests of the war machine. Nor is it any different in the case of the news departments of the television networks. They exist by virtue of government sanction and no serious and objective examination of current war projects -- or related assassinations -- will be seen for long on the television screen.

Reality has always been difficult for humans to perceive because our antennae are short and because we cannot perceive objectively. However, in the superstate the fact is that the populace is kept in a state of euphoria while the warfare interests pursue in the name of national security their private objectives.

In 1964 when it certified that the impossible indeed had occurred the Warren Commission declared a large sector of reality as being officially off-limits. In the warfare state there exists approved reality and unapproved reality. For example, the fact that the

moon rises in the east and sets in the west is approved reality because the recognition by the populace of this occurrence does not threaten the men at the power base of the government. On the other hand, the fact that President Kennedy was thrown backwards by the force of the fatal shot is unapproved reality because the official scapegoat was behind the President -- in the opposite direction from the source of the shot -- and general recognition of this fact would threaten the base of power. Consequently the Zapruder film, which clearly shows what actually happened to the President, remains hidden from the people and the mass media do not refer to the matter except in the inverted terms of the officially approved unreality.

If, for example, a night watchman were to catch the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs stealing chickens he would be stumbling across unapproved reality. The night watchman predictably would be discredited and denounced for his delusions. He would be fired from his job because of his conduct, carefully observed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and intensively investigated by the Internal Revenue Service. A potential communicator of unapproved reality is a serious threat to national security as defined by the warfare forces.

The result is a warning to all others in the superstate not to stray into areas of unapproved reality. After the night watchman has been drawn and quartered and tossed aside, few will wander into the off-limits sector any more.

The creation of such inanities as acceptable reality and unacceptable reality is necessary for the self-preservation of the superstate against its greatest danger: understanding on the part of the people as to what is really happening. All factors which contribute to its burgeoning power are exaggerated. . . all factors which might reveal its corrosive effect on

the nation are concealed. The result is to place the populace in the position of persons living in a house whose windows no longer reveal the outside but on which murals have been painted. Some of the murals are frightening and have the effect of reminding the occupants of the outside menaces against which the paternal war machine is protecting them. Other murals are pleasant to remind them how nice things are inside the house.

But to live like this is to live in a doll's house. If life has one lesson to teach us it is that to live in illusion is ultimately disastrous.

In the doll's house into which America gradually has been converted a great many of our basic assumptions are totally illusory.

For example, for years now the people have been led to believe that we were in Viet Nam because we were fighting for democracy, that this war was being won, that national security required that we spend spiralling billions for defense without regard to the effect on the economy and -- the central illusion to which all the others relate -- that President Kennedy was killed by a lone assassin in a senseless murder which had no political implications.

These are the basic illusions accepted today by most Americans and regularly reinforced by press releases from Washington. Now let us contrast this illusory view of the world with reality and observe the disparity.

At the outset we may observe that it is untrue that the war in Viet Nam is being won. We have been lied to about this for years. This fact is now so apparent as to require no comment.

It is not true that we are in Viet Nam in great force because we are fighting for democracy. We are in Viet Nam, and have lost more than 35,000 men there, because

it is a source of economic and power benefits for the warfare conglomerate which dominates the government. The war is a huge market which produces great profits for a variety of war industries. The money for these profits comes from the high taxes paid by American citizens. Militarily the war serves as a testing ground for new tactics and new hardware. It maintains for us a military foothold in South East Asia. Above all it is a tremendous source of domestic power for the military establishment.

The manic expenditure of eighty billion dollars a year for "defense" against another nation which could not attack us without destroying itself overnight occurs primarily to feed the maw of the defense industries and to perpetuate the domestic power of the warfare forces. The nuclear capabilities of the United States and Russia cancelled each other out years ago -- and the military establishment of each knows this. Of all the nations on earth these are the last two which might fight each other. What is going on now is a game -- a game played by the warfare interests of each country with the people of the country so that the warfare interests can perpetuate their power. With regard to the national security of the United States, Viet Nam is irrelevant. It serves as a market for the war business, nothing more. What is not irrelevant with regard to national security is the destructive effect on the economy of the United States of spending eighty billion dollars a year on death machinery. The value of the dollar inevitably must continue to deteriorate until it is virtually worthless.

Once again we are brought back to the relevance of the execution of President Kennedy to the conversion of the United States to a war oriented super-state. It will be recalled that his objective, as spelled out in his order to Defense Secretary McNamara, was to have all American military forces removed from Viet Nam by 1965. With his removal, 1965 became instead the year for the great build-up of an expeditionary force for combat so

that five years after Kennedy's death there were more than half a million American troops in Viet Nam. It was because of President Kennedy's repeatedly demonstrated tendency to view foreign relations idealistically, rather than in terms of power, that he had to be executed by the intelligence apparatus of the American warfare complex. The transition from a government of the people to a warfare state could not have been completed without his removal.

JIM GARRISON

PARADE ON CANAL**Cuban Fund Drive Gets Under Way**

A Canal st. parade of refugees and students carrying a huge Cuban flag today opened a city-wide fund drive by the "Crusade to Free Cuba."

A door-to-door canvassing for funds throughout the city will be held tonight and tomorrow night. Citizens have been asked to leave their porch lights on to signify their willingness to contribute.

The drive is sponsored by the New Orleans branch of the Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front.

General Chairman

General chairman of the crusade's citywide committee is William A. Monte Leone.

Spokesmen for the crusade claim Russian MIG planes "undoubtedly armed with atomic weapons" are on ready-alert at Cuban bases only 682 miles from New Orleans.

They also note the New Orleans businesses lost millions in the Castro expropriations and that loss of trade to Cuba through this port "has been tremendous." In 1959, this trade amounted to over \$110 million in exports to Cuba through the port of New Orleans and more than \$34 million in imports.

Funds obtained through the crusade will be used to "ultimately free Cuba from the Communist regime by force if necessary, continue the active underground day-by-day

Cuban--

activities in Cuba and report daily to the free world the Communist activities in Cuba," spokesmen said.

Door-to-Door Solicitation

The door-to-door solicitation today and tomorrow was organized by the woman's committee, headed by Mrs. R. G. Robinson and Mrs. Naomi Marshall.

A telethon in support of the drive will be held from 10 p.m. to midnight tonight.

The businessmen's committee will distribute contribution cans throughout the city and pick them up when the drive is completed.

CUBAN INVASION TIMING IS AIRED**Fidel's Rising Strength Factor, Dulles Hints**

WASHINGTON (AP) — This nation's former intelligence chief indicated Sunday that Fidel Castro's growing military strength set the timetable for last spring's abortive effort to overthrow the Cuban prime minister.

Allen W. Dulles, who retired a few weeks ago as director of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, said any move against Communist Castro, short of fullscale U.S. military intervention, had to be made between November 1960 and April 1961.

Appearing on a recorded radio and TV program NBC's "Meet the Press" Dulles said:

"I think the historians of the future will probably say that if any move was to be made to get rid of communism in Cuba, short of actual military intervention with all the power of the United States, that effort would probably have to have been made sometime between, say November and April."

RED TRAINED PILOTS

Asked whether the April invasion was the last chance to overthrow Castro without direct U.S. intervention, Dulles replied:

"Well, I wouldn't go quite that far, but I would go well along the line. We knew that the Cuban pilots were being trained in Czechoslovakia. We knew they were going to have very shortly available under Cuban direction MIGs in considerable numbers and I am inclined to think, as I said before, that if a move was to be made short of intervention, probably this was the area of time when it had to be made, about November to April."

Dulles denied that the failure of the invasion was an intelligence failure.

"There was no military hardware that appeared that was a surprise to us," he said but conceded that "some of the material was a little better handled than we expected."

"There is quite a popular misconception," Dulles continued, "that it was felt there would be a spontaneous uprising. We have never contemplated that. In the days of the war I worked a great deal with the French underground. The last thing we wanted was spontaneous uprisings, to be slaughtered by the Nazi troops. In the same way we were not looking for a spontaneous uprising, but for other developments."

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He did not elaborate on what these other developments might have been.

In reply to a question on whether he believed Castro's influence in Latin America was declining, Dulles declared:

"I think that Latin America is far more alerted to the danger of Castroism and communism as a danger to their systems than they were, let's say a year ago, or last April."

"Many countries in Latin America have now broken diplomatic relations with Cuba and I think therefore the impact of Castroism has decreased in many Latin-American countries over the last six months because of their understanding of what has taken place in Cuba and their apprehension of what might take place in their own countries."

LA: FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 19, 1962

FREE CUBA DRIVE PLANNED IN CITY

Porchlight Campaign Is
Saturday, Sunday

Final plans were completed Thursday for a citywide, porch-light campaign to collect funds for the Crusade to Free Cuba. The campaign will be held Saturday and Sunday. Those not contacted may mail their contributions to Post Office Box 1689, New Orleans.

Local citizens were urged to leave their porch lights on "so they can help fire a paper bullet against communism."

J. B. McMahon, chairman of the Crusade's large donors campaign, expressed the belief that

local businessmen should play a leading role in the Crusade.

"These businessmen have already been hard hit by the effects of the Castro regime," McMahon added.

The large donors' chairman said although communism is a menace wherever it exists there is no place it hurts quite as much as in Cuba.

"Here," he added, "it affects our fortunes. It affects our faith in democracy. And it even affects our lives when you take into consideration the missile bases, the MIG squadrons and the countless armed ships which go into Havana from Iron Curtain countries."

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2. Write and talk to your Congressman and other national officials denouncing the actions of the Communists in Cuba at the White House.
3. DONATE MONEY TO THE CRUSADE TO FREE CUBA. Cuban patriots are daily raising their hands to their heads on the island. THEY NEED YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT. Mail your contributions, or make a personal contribution to the volunteer workers who visit all year offering Cuban MIG, T-33, and B-57 planes.

**LIGHT YOUR LIGHT TONIGHT AND TOMORROW TO
FIRE A PAPER BULLET AGAINST COMMUNISM**

(This will be a signal to the volunteer worker to pick up your contribution)

EXHIBIT VI

Organized Crime and Racketeering Field Office
526 St. Louis Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

September 28, 1971

Mr. Pershing Gervais
c/o Mr. Floyd D. Moore
Chief, Intelligence Division
Internal Revenue Service
New Orleans District
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mr. Gervais:

This is to confirm the agreement between you and the Department of Justice which you will recall discussing on the night of September 8, 1971, and early morning hours of September 9, 1971, together with me and with Floyd D. Moore, Chief of Intelligence Division for the New Orleans District of the Internal Revenue Service.

You agreed that during the period September 1, 1971, to August 30, 1972, you will accept employment commensurate with your ability at the salary offered and the Department of Justice agreed to supplement such income up to \$22,000 per year.

You further agreed to accept employment commensurate with your ability from September 1, 1972, to August 30, 1973, wherever such employment is located at a salary of \$22,000 per annum and the Department of Justice agreed to secure employment for you at that salary for at least one year, and to pay the cost of moving for you and your family by regular commercial movers at the location of such employment.

It was further determined on September 8, 1971, that subsistence is paid on condition that you not re-enter the United States without the prior approval of the Criminal Division; and that all future payments will be cancelled and the Department of Justice will be relieved of any responsibilities if this condition regarding re-entry is breached.

In addition to the foregoing, the Department of Justice agrees, at any date you choose subsequent to August 30, 1973, to pay the cost of transportation and moving of household goods for you and your family by regular commercial movers from wherever you are then located, to New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sincerely,

JW:cb
cc Mr. Moore

JOHN WALL
Attorney In Charge



—States-Item photo.
LEADERS OF THE Crusade to Free Cuba discussing ways to raise funds for their program are, from left, J. B. M'MAHON, chairman of the large donors committee; WILLIAM A. MONTELEONE, general chairman, and SERGIO ARACHA, New Orleans delegate to the Cuban Revolutionary Council.

Free Cuba Meeting Is Held Here

The Crusade To Free Cuba, a local organization dedicated to eventual liberation of Cuba, held an organizational meeting yesterday in the Monteleone hotel.

The crusade has a three-fold purpose, Sergio Arcacha, New Orleans delegate to the Cuban Revolutionary Council in Miami, explained. Its purpose is to inform the American people of what is taking place in Cuba, to help the underground in Cuba and to eventually liberate that country, Arcacha said.

"But first we need money," he added.

William A. Monteleone, general chairman of the crusade, quoted portions of a letter he said he has written to civic groups in the New Orleans area.

Monteleone appealed for money, workers and a public endorsement of the organization. A campaign to raise funds for the crusade is set to get under way in Jan-

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Statement by Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy

There have been a number of inquiries from the press about our present neutrality laws and the possibility of their application in connection with the struggle for freedom in Cuba.

First, may I say that the neutrality laws are among the oldest laws in our statute books. Most of the provisions date from the first years of our independence and, with only minor revisions, have continued in force since the 18th Century. Clearly they were not designed for the kind of situation which exists in the world today.

Second, the neutrality laws were never designed to prevent individuals from leaving the United States to fight for a cause in which they believed. There is nothing in the neutrality laws which prevents refugees from Cuba from returning to that country to engage in the fight for freedom. Nor is an individual prohibited from departing from the United States, with others of like belief, to join still others in a second country for an expedition against a third country.

There is nothing criminal in an individual leaving the United States with the intent of joining an insurgent group. There is nothing criminal in his urging others to do so. There is nothing criminal in several persons departing at the same time.

What the law does prohibit is a group organized as a military expedition from departing from the United States to take action as a military force against a nation with whom the United States is at peace.

There are also provisions of early origin forbidding foreign states to recruit mercenaries in this country. No activities engaged in by Cuban patriots which have been brought to our attention appear to be violations of our neutrality laws.

Funds for Cuba Rebels Held OK

CLEVELAND (AP)—Although official U. S. policy bars intervention in Cuba, there is nothing wrong with individual U. S. citizens supporting "the anti-Castro movement by contributing money," Sen. Albert Gore (D-Tenn.) declared Sunday.

Gore, answering viewers questions on a television program, noted that President Kennedy has stated specifically that U. S. forces and U. S. citizens will be prevented from launching an attack on Cuba. "But this does not prevent us helping these resistance movements in various ways," he said.

A member of the Senate foreign relations committee, Gore recently returned from Geneva, where he participated in preparations for disarmament talks. He said the basic question—inspection—is still unsolved. The Soviet Union won't open up its borders to inspection, and inspection is the crucial thing."

There is a tremendous threat posed by the fact that many nations now or in the future will possess the ability to make nuclear weapons, especially Red China, Gore declared.

Mayor Chep Morrison, saluting the courage and determination of the movement, made a personal contribution to the "Free Cuba" fund. The mayor said he hopes other New Orleanians will make contributions.

The fight to free Cuba Communist domination has begun, a former Cuban cons New Orleans said at a City demonstration of sympathy Cuban refugees today.

' HELP THE CUBAN DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTIONARY FRONT DESTROY COMMUNISM



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April 20, 1961

Statement by Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy

There have been a number of inquiries from the press about our present neutrality laws and the possibility of their application in connection with the struggle for freedom in Cuba.

First, may I say that the neutrality laws are among the oldest laws in our statute books. Most of the provisions date from the first years of our independence and, with only minor revisions, have continued in force since the 18th Century. Clearly they were not designed for the kind of situation which exists in the world today.

Second, the neutrality laws were never designed to prevent individuals from leaving the United States to fight for a cause in which they believed. There is nothing in the neutrality laws which prevents refugees from Cuba from returning to that country to engage in the fight for freedom. Nor is an individual prohibited from departing from the United States, with others of like belief, to join still others in a second country for an expedition against a third country.

There is nothing criminal in an individual leaving the United States with the intent of joining an insurgent group. There is nothing criminal in his urging others to do so. There is nothing criminal in several persons departing at the same time.

What the law does prohibit is a group organized as a military expedition from departing from the United States to take action as a military force against a nation with whom the United States is at peace.

There are also provisions of early origin forbidding foreign states to recruit mercenaries in this country. No activities engaged in by Cuban patriots which have been brought to our attention appear to be violations of our neutrality laws.

Funds for Cuba Rebels Held OK

CLEVELAND (AP)—Although official U. S. policy bans intervention in Cuba, there is nothing wrong with individual

U. S. citizens supporting "the anti-Castro movement by contributing money," Sen. Albert Gore (D-Tenn.) declared Sunday.

Gore, answering viewers questions on a television program, noted that President Kennedy has stated specifically that U. S. forces and U. S. citizens will be prevented from launching an attack on Cuba. "But this does not prevent us helping these re-

sistance movements in various ways," he said.

A member of the Senate foreign relations committee, Gore recently returned from Geneva, where he participated in preparations for disarmament talks. He said the basic question—inspection—is still unsolved. The Soviet Union won't open up its borders to inspection, and inspection is the crucial thing."

There is a tremendous threat posed by the fact that many nations now or in the future will possess the ability to make nuclear weapons, especially Red China, Gore declared.

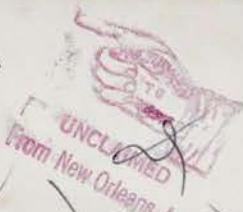
Mayor Chep Morrison, saluting the courage and determination of the movement, made a personal contribution to the "Free Cuba" fund. The mayor said he hopes other New Orleanians will make contributions.

The fight to free Cuba from Communist domination has just begun, a former Cuban consul in New Orleans said at a City Hall demonstration of sympathy for Cuban refugees today.

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